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suggest as a mitigation of the lekip,

had some knowledge of what was
 done at the capital in regard to
 China, perhaps he anticipates more
 able results from the Kwangsi and
 Tung-tsin predominations than we do.
 satisfactory in view of the proposed
 increase in the Chinese Customs tariffs
 of the *Times* should be capable of
 English public opinion on the relation
 to look to treaty revision. We win
 greater faith in an amended treaty
 makes it clear that infraction will
 be followed by pains and penalties than in an
 clamor made by Chinese Provincial
 officials under the fiat of the Tung-ki
 and at the suggestion of a foreign dignitary.
 We do not suppose that Sir Claude
 McDonald or Mr. E. H. Fraser, the
 Consul at Canton, cares one pin's
 what the newspapers of Hongkong

on this or any other question. As
on officials, we believe they will not up-
to highest traditions of the service to
to they have the honour of belonging
cannot afford to be insensitive to the
entertainment in these two great empor-
on the outcome of their labours to pro-
to trade in South China. As was ex-
to Sir Claude has proved himself to be
of unquestionable energy. He is ex-
to great praise for adopting a policy
wards the Tung-li Yamen that is
more of Sir Harry Parkes than Sir
Wade. But until the utility of the
proclamations is tested by a year or
experiment, it would be the function
of the sycophant to mislead him into
belief that he has gained a great
which will have a permanent effect
of the relations of foreign traders and
senior officialdom in South China.

nations lies in this permanency—the cautiousness as trade-facilitating factors to suit some other method is adopted. Foreign Powers to compel China to her treaty obligations: Anything will mean that we have merely one more mere failure to the record of our actions with China and her purling, so-called statement. Meanwhile, more extract from these proclamations: greatest possible benefit, and that can be done by having a 'strong' man put at Canton. In Mr Fraser we possess a man with the requisite amount of manly purpose and knowledge of Chinese character. Already, in matters, he has kept the line of Kwangtung to the strictness of his obligations, well knowing in this way only diplomatic can be achieved where a Chinese interest is concerned. He had had the intuition of the new order of things and the

that he should remain at his post until the effects (and those of the British Mission) on behalf of foreign trade have been fruitful. To this end, we would suggest that the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, in thanking the British authorities concerned for present favours, make representations at once in support of Mr Fraser's appointment to Canton for at least two or three years. We confess somewhat anomalous that a request of this sort should come from a cosmopolitan body like our Chamber of Commerce, but we have a purely British Chamber, and we make such a representation to the British authorities; this appears to be the medium that would carry most effect.

There have been British Consuls at who have held erroneous concepts their duty to their nationals, and absence of a Chaloner Alabaster we not have a better representative. There have in Mr Fraser.

SAYS a home paper:—Misprints

things for laughter as a rule. "But they made us sad. . . . But it must have been a very good case, and very contemporary to represent a case in advocacy of the cause of female suffrage extorting her hearers to 'maintain lights'."


"LOOKING ON" writes in the *Observer*: "The British residents who decided a fine of £50 rather than run the danger to serve on the Jury in the case must by this time have concluded the investment was a good one. 'It was sworn on the 5th Jan., and as the trial was adjourned for the next five days it is hardly likely that the witness will be discharged till the end of week.' The case is *sub judice*, and we still have to hear the arguments and evidence for the defence. Therefore, I shall be no opinion as to the probable result of the 'water cure' but I am sure we will be able to find a unanimous verdict. It will be remembered that at the inquest was being held, I stated one of the coolest and most self-participating in the enquiry was Miss [name] 'water cure' may be said to be late stage of the proceedings, although Carew is now in the dock and not yet a seat beside Carew. 'I do not miss' is no 'bright or cheerful' as the

against the face of the dock, but apparently a word escapes her notice and an incident occurs; her eyes are sparkling with self-control—she is wonderful, but she has been too near the light. It is so interesting to learn, if it is ever learned, was the author of the message to John that Miss Jacob had confessed to the signing of Mr. Farver and to writing the letter to Mr. Reuter. It is also the fact that Miss Jacob had been at New York wired to the United States, as an American news agency improve telegram by adding the confession and that she had been in London, giving Mr. Reuter's impression that in consequence of Jacob's ill-health she was not informed. Dated—the telegram having been published in London. This is not correct, since it was the Telegram Company which gave Mr. Reuter's agent and sent a circular.

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It was quite impossible that she could attend to give evidence. Cross-examined by Mr Lowder the witness said she thought it would be some weeks, possibly months, before Miss Jacob would be able to leave the house. She was suffering from a disordered mental and nervous condition. The symptoms might indicate hysteria, and they might indicate something worse.

The deposition of Miss Jacob at the preliminary examination was then read, and again the day her evidence at the inquest was also read.

His Lordship—I have carefully considered Mr Wilkinson's application yesterday that I should reserve my ruling as to the letter received by Sir E. Satow and permit it, if otherwise relevant, to be given in evidence. If the explanation made yesterday with reference to it had been given when it was first produced, I should have admitted it subject to its relevancy. That having been made before the case for the prosecution has closed? I have come to the conclusion that it is not too late. It would not be too late to allow a witness to correct his evidence at any time during the case, and equally it cannot be too late now to correct a ruling on a point of procedure, the necessity for such correction having become apparent from the statement made by counsel for the prosecution in Court yesterday.

The letter was then read and was as follows:—

'Sir Ernest Satow.

'Dear Sir,—I wish to call your attention to the very scandalous way in which our Consul Mr Hall has conducted the inquest of the late Mr Carew. Had he any right to run up in face of evidence produced he has done.—' Faithfully yours,

'A. L. FRANK.

'6th November.'

Mr R. C. D. Ginnis, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, was called and said he did not know of any one of the names of the persons residing at Yokohama. Two gentlemen of the name of Price had been at Yokohama during the year, Alexander Price, of Hankow, and Hon. J. F. Price, of India. The signature on the letter was of the signature of either of these gentlemen.

Mr Mason was called and said the letter and envelope received by Sir Ernest Satow were in Mrs Carew's handwriting with scarcely any attempt at disguise.

Mr Lowder (interposing)—I may say that I shall not contend that the letter is not in the handwriting of the accused, if it may have the time of the Court if I state so now.

Mr Kirker, usher of the court, gave evidence as to having made search for Annie Carew and having failed to find any trace of her.

This closed the case for the Crown.

Mr Lowder applied for an adjournment until Saturday, the 23rd, to enable him to take such notes as he considered requisite to present the case for the defence properly before the jury.

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